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APPLICANTS: Martin HOHEISEL et al. CONF. NO.: 5214
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FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AND APPLYING AN
ANTISCATTER GRID OR COLLIMATOR TO AN X-RAY OR
GAMMA DETECTOR

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

The Examiner offers reasons why the claims of the present application are allowable over the prior art of record. Although Applicants agree that the various claimed limitations mentioned in the claims are not taught or suggested by the prior art taken either singly or in combination, Applicants wish to emphasize that it is the language of each claim taken individually, including the interrelationships and interconnections between various claimed elements, which is allowable over the prior art of record.

For example, with regard to claim 1, the Examiner emphasizes that the prior art fails to teach or fairly suggest a basic structure produced by layer-wise solidification by using a rapid prototyping technique. *Notice of Allowance*, p. 2. Applicants agree that

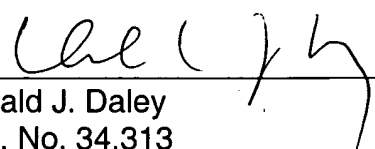
this feature is not taught or fairly suggested by the prior art; however, Applicants wish to emphasize that it may be this feature alone and/or in combination with all other features of claim 1 that distinguishes claim 1 over the prior art of record.

Similar reasoning applies to each of claims 2-34.

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